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## HARDMAN TRIAL SET FOR TOMORROW

Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock was agreed on as the time for the examining trial of Scobee Hardman, accused of the murder of Leon Renaker, Blue Grass "turkey king."

This announcement was made following a conference of Hardman's counsel, Judge J. Smith Hayes and Herve Lisle, with County Attorney Herbert Moore, County Judge Scobee and other officials.

The defense would be ready by Tuesday, according to reports, but Wednesday was agreed on, as the commonwealth must summon a number of witnesses, Mr. Moore said, some from Bourbon county and others from Cincinnati.

Young Hardman, in the Clark county jail, at Winchester, where he was taken from Lexington, still refuses to discuss the charges against him, referring questioners to his attorneys.

Police Judge Scrivner was agreed on to sit in the case, as County Judge R. S. Scobee refused to sit, due to the fact he is a relative of Hardman. Hardman stated that he is confident of his acquittal, but other than that refuses to talk about the case.

It is not known whether the defendant will ask for a secret examining trial, to which he is entitled under Section 63 of the Kentucky Criminal Law.

Detective Ora Slater left Saturday for Cincinnati. The nature of his mission is not known, but it is thought that he is getting a new angle on the case. The general attitude of the people in Winchester seems to be "a man is innocent until he is proven guilty."

Since his arrest, which occurred fifteen days after the discovery of one of Kentucky's most mysterious murders, young Hardman has maintained a cheerful silence regarding his arrest and the charge against him.

When seen at the Winchester jail Saturday, following his return to that city after spending twenty-four hours in the Fayette county jail, Hardman appeared in good spirits and said he had had a good night's rest.

He said there is nothing remarkable about him keeping up his courage "because an innocent man has nothing to fear." In giving a reason for keeping silent Hardman said to a newspaper representative "If a man doesn't tell anything he has nothing to take back."

## PARISIANS EN ROUTE TO HONOLULU.

Special to THE BOURBON NEWS.

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 14.—Among those booked to sail on the Matson Line steamer, "Maui," for Honolulu, August 23, are W. Renick Smith, grandson of Mrs. W. H. Renick, of Paris, Ky., and his mother, Mrs. Curtis P. Smith, formerly of Dallas, Texas, but who will be remembered in Kentucky as Miss Annie Renick.

Mr. Smith is starting his Oriental tour at Honolulu and expects to visit Japan, China, India and Egypt. He is going abroad as the official press representative of the Far East Players, Inc., a dramatic organization, headed by Miss Adele Blood, star of famous "Everywoman."

Miss Blood and T. Daniel Frawley, producer and actor are associated in the production of a number of the latest Broadway successes in the Orient. Mr. Frawley has made a dozen or more tours of the Far East.

Among the plays to be offered over there are Anna Christie, The Gold Diggers, The First Year, La La Lucille, Pom Pom, Innocent, The Guilty Man, Enter Madame, Kempy, Lawful Larceny, Smilin' Through, and others.

Mrs. Curtis P. Smith will accompany her son for the trip. They will travel ahead of the troupe a great part of the time. Mr. Smith was reared in Texas, but is a native of Bourbon county, and has visited his aunt, Mrs. James Duncan Bell, in Paris, numerous times.

The Oriental tour of the Far East Players will cover a period of seven months.

## ETHEL CLAYTON IN "THE CRADLE," THURSDAY

Ethel Clayton in latest Paramount picture, "The Cradle," will be the feature at the Alamo Theatre and Paris Grand, Thursday afternoon and evening. This is a picture that provokes the question, "Is it fair to a child for a husband and wife to separate?" Financial worries and too much mother-in-law, cause the husband, a young doctor, to yield to the charms of another woman—a wealthy daughter of the idle rich. A divorce. The husband marries the other woman, and the wife a lawyer who was a former suitor. Then follow many interesting incidents.

Charles Meredith is leading man and heads an excellent supporting cast of players.

## THE STRIKE SITUATION

Locally the strike situation has not developed anything out of the ordinary, and the men are awaiting the results of conferences in progress by their National leaders and the Labor Board.

W. H. Brown, vice-President of the International Brotherhood of Railroad Shop Crafts, spoke at the court house Friday night to a crowd which taxed the capacity of the big Circuit Court room, taking as his subject: "Why The Shopmen Are On Strike." Mr. Brown was introduced by S. Jewell Rice, Lexington attorney, who stated in his introductory remarks that Mr. Brown had been brought to Paris to place before the people the real issue in the railroad strike situation.

Mr. Brown stated that this strike was not a strike for definite wages, but a fight between human rights and property rights. He said that the rights of workmen to live respectably and to properly educate their children and to create better conditions for the posterity was in conflict with the plan of Wall street to make millionaires of railroad magnates and relegate the mass of people to the poor house. He stated that the railroads were arguing that the strikers were outlaws, but that they forgot to state that it is positively known that ninety-two railroads in 104 cases violated the transportation act. He stated that during the war, when men were supposed to be doing philanthropic acts for the government, 12,000 new millionaires were made, and that the new democracy is worse than the old.

Mr. Brown, in referring to local conditions, said the strike-breakers on the job here wouldn't work a day at honest toil in a pie factory. He said that outside of the men on strike there were not enough craftsmen to man one railroad, and cited in his own way it was necessary for the railroads to take back their old experienced men. Mr. Brown's speech was a masterful presentation of the strikers' side of the present affair, and was full of able, convincing arguments for the justice of their cause. One statement in the course of his speech which brought forth applause from the big crowd was to the effect that "organized labor is composed of 5,000,000 members, from the lowest craftsman to the most skilled men in the world to-day." His address was along the lines of the evolution of labor from its beginning to the present time and the very important part labor unions play in bettering the condition of the laboring man.

The railway executives of the country Sunday night made public their response to President Harding's last strike settlement proposal in which it was stated that a majority of the executives in their meeting at New York, Friday, voted to give striking shop crafts workers their old jobs if vacant, or if filled, similar work pending determination of seniority by the Railroad Labor Board.

The executives' committee, which came to Washington, Saturday, and delivered to President Harding their response to his last settlement proposal and later met with chiefs of the train service brotherhoods, let it be known that no further conferences of any kind were planned.

The announcement was described by one spokesman for the executives as meaning "a fight to the finish" in the existing strike so far as the railroad managements were concerned.

Railroad executives who have represented all their associates in negotiating over Saturday and Sunday with President Harding and railroad strike left Washington convinced that the present strike would be fought out to a finish.

The executives further indicated, through an authorized spokesman, that they expected the government would not attempt further compromise in the situation and make public the text of their answer to President Harding's final settlement proposal.

Union leaders, however, declared that mediation and compromise efforts would still be continued with officials of the four brotherhoods or train service men acting as a committee to go between the striking shop craft representatives on the one hand and the government or the railroads on the other.

Twelve hundred trainmen, members of the Big Four brotherhood, employed on the Cumberland division of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, left their trains at ten o'clock yesterday morning.

This ties up the great Harlan and Bell county coal fields. The walk-out was ordered.

The walkout was ordered because the trainmen claimed armed guards at the Louisville and Nashville shops were endangering their lives.

They also claimed that they were being required to operate defective equipment in violation of the law and thus also endangering their lives.

Trainmen who walked out yesterday morning declared that their action was not a strike. They said they simply had refused to work until conditions were made safe.

## GETTING READY FOR THE BOOSTER TRIP

Plans are rapidly being formulated for the Booster day trip, which the merchants of Paris will put into effect on Wednesday, August 30. The itinerary will include every section of the county. As far as the plans have been worked out, they have given satisfaction to the various committees having charge of the details.

According to present plans the boosters will arrive at Millersburg at noon, and take dinner on the campus of the Millersburg Military Institute. The dinner will be served by the ladies of the Millersburg Presbyterian church, who will prepare to serve about three hundred people. Those who have subscribed to the Booster Trip have been furnished with one ticket each to the dinner, and any person who would like to motor to Millersburg for the dinner and speaking may secure a dinner ticket for 75 cents from Secretary Harold Harris, of the Paris Commercial Club. The list of firms who have subscribed for the trip includes the names of nearly every merchant in Paris.

## CHARGED WITH MALICIOUS CUTTING

Will Scott, colored, janitor in the First National Bank building, was severely stabbed and wounded in chest and back yesterday morning by Wm. H. Whaley. A warrant based on affidavits made by Scott, charging Whaley with malicious cutting and wounding, was sworn out by County Attorney D. D. Cline and given to Patrolman Robert Lusk to serve.

Scott, according to the story told yesterday, had received orders from the bank officials to lock the lobby doors and to allow on one to enter before the opening of banking hours. Whaley came to the bank early yesterday morning, and being refused admission by Rice, became angry and drawing a knife, inflicted two deep stab wounds, one in the chest, and one in the back.

## SOME PEACHES

A small peach tree in the back yard at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fee, on Fifth street, is some producer of the luscious fruit. Mrs. Fee recently gathered fourteen peaches, averaging 9½ inches in diameter from the tree which sprang uncultivated from a seed carelessly tossed into a pile of cinders and earth in the yard. The peaches are of the clingstone variety. The tree had never borne fruit until struck by lightning about a year ago, which is thought to have started it into producing.

## TRAINS DELAYED BY WRECK

North bound train No. 32, on the Louisville and Nashville, due at Paris at 6:50 Saturday night, was seven hours late, due to a freight wreck at Sinks, near Livingston, when a double-header engine and ten loaded cars were thrown down a fifty-foot embankment. Fireman Charles Rice, of Livingston, was seriously injured. The front engine jumped the track, due, it was said, to a defective rail, and raced along the ties for two hundred feet. The wrecking crews were called out and had the wreckage cleared so that traffic was resumed Sunday.

## NEWS OF THE COURTS

In the County Court Mrs. Margaret Davis was appointed as administratrix of the estate of her deceased husband, W. L. Davis, who died in this city the past week. Mrs. Davis accepted the appointment and qualified for the trust by furnishing bond in the sum of \$6,000, with her sister, Mrs. John T. Hinton, as surety. Buckner Woodford, William Myall and Jos. W. Davis were appointed to appraise the estate.

A woman doesn't have to be a good cook to roast her neighbors.

You can do as you please if you please as you do.

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E. F. Ford, chairman of the Corbin local of the Brotherhood of Trainmen said that the men had been asked to operate bad equipment and that the guards at the Corbin shops had been abusive. He said that instances of guards trying to intimidate the union men, drawing guns on men operating engines and trains and cursing them had been reported to the union headquarters.

"The men simply have quit work until conditions are made safe for them to work," he said. "There is no strike at all. The men cannot be expected to work when their lives are instantly endangered by armed guards threatening them and defective equipment."

## MORGAN'S MEN REUNION AT LEXINGTON

Mrs. Ida Hamilton Stoner, of Mt. Sterling, widow of the late Col. Robt. G. Stoner, of Paris, was in this city yesterday, en route to Lexington, to attend the annual reunion of Morgan's Men, of which her husband was an honored member. Mrs. Stoner claims the distinction of being the only surviving widow of a Morgan's Men member. Every year it has been her pleasant duty to pin flowers on the lapels of the veterans.

Members of the association will be guests to-day and to-morrow of the Lexington Country Club on invitation of Senator J. W. Stoll, Desha Breckinridge and Dr. S. H. Halley. The annual reunion will open this morning. Their numbers have been sadly decimated by the passage of years and only a few score of veterans are expected to be present.

There will be no formal program at the reunion this year. Following the usual custom, it will be a reunion in the real sense of the word, the recalling to mind of incidents and associations of campaign days being the feature of the two-days session.

## INVESTMENT PROPERTY FOR SALE

Harris, Speakes and Harris offer two pieces of property for sale Wednesday, August 16, at 2 p. m. Don't fail to attend. (8-11-15)

## PRISONER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Unsuccessful in an attempt to break jail, Nelson Porter, colored, confined in the Paris jail on a charge of grand larceny, attempted suicide by hanging himself from a rope made of bed covers which he had torn into strips. Other prisoners saw the attempt and called Jailer Taylor, who rescued him before the deed became effective. He was placed in solitary confinement. Porter's peculiar actions both before and since his incarceration have been of a nature, according to the officials to warrant his trial on lunacy proceedings.

Another negro, serving out a fine at hard labor in the county rock quarry for crap shooting, made his escape, but returned the next day accompanied by a white man, who agreed to become responsible for the payment of his fine, and the negro was released from custody.

## ON THE PLAYGROUNDS

The girls' baseball team from the City School playgrounds will play the Brennan playground team on the latter's grounds Tuesday afternoon. The boys' team will meet the Wilson team and the Brennan team on Wednesday. Thursday afternoon the picked team will play the Duncan Park team from Lexington on Hancock Field. The Paris team will line up as follows: Hickey, Crawford, p; Parsons, c; Reese, 1b; Strauther, ss; J. B. Myers, 2b; McMahan, 3b; Buddy Hinton, cf; Julian Howe, Jr.; rf; Russell Horton, lf.

Friday morning the kindergarten, conducted by Miss Miriam Galloway, will have a doll party. The Feast of the Lanterns and a masquerade party will be held at the City School grounds Friday evening at seven o'clock. The children are all invited to come and bring a lantern, and be sure to have a candle. A prize will be given to the child wearing the most original costume, the best hand-made lantern, and the most beautiful Japanese bought lantern.

Entries are coming in for the tennis tournament to be held the last week in this month. Two handsome trophies have been donated by Mrs. Robt. C. Talbot and Dr. M. H. Dailley. Only ladies' doubles and men's doubles will be played, the winners playing their partners for the trophy. A consolation match will be played also.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE PICNIC LABOR DAY, SEPT. 4.

Monday, September 4, Labor Day, is destined to be a red-letter day in the history of Paris. On that day the Paris Commercial Club and the Community Service proposes holding the largest and best picnic in the history of the county. The beautiful woodland of Forrest Letton, on the Lexington pike, near Paris, has been secured for the event, and the committees in charge of the various activities are leaving nothing undone to secure the best talent and attractions for the picnic. It will be a hummer without doubt. Jot down September 4 on your memorandum, and right underneath it write: "Don't forget to go to the Community Service Picnic to-day."

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